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(54) Method and system for preventing a mobile station from causing disturbance

(57) Mobile stations like handsets could cause disturbance at electronic equipment, thereby endangering human lives, and that's why the use of them sometimes at certain places is not allowed, for example inside planes during parts of a flight and inside hospitals. To prevent being dependent upon the user's decency, the possible use of the output of said handset could be

deactivated by transmitting a deactivation signal from a base station to the handset, which deactivation signal either only deactivates said use for a predefined time-interval, or deactivates said use all the time until an activation signal originating from said base station has been received by said handset.

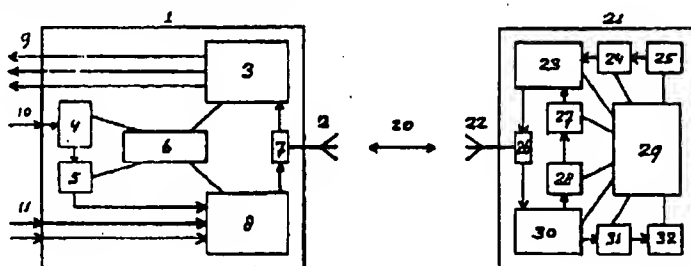


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